

Doctoral Course: Evolution - from the phenotype to molecular approaches Academic year 2017-2018

The Emerging Field of Paleogenomics and its Variegated Applications in Life Science

Organizers:

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Synopsis:

During the last decade genomics and palaeogenomics took off uncovering the genetic treasure contained in countless remains from pre-history to modern times. These data are unlocking the information embedded in the genomic sequences and, together with emerging archeological and paleontological discoveries, are reshaping our understanding of humankind's history and evolution as well as the past of many other species. By fostering this new research avenue, the course will focus on recent and upcoming data from ancient DNA analysis to reconstruct human and animal evolutionary history and migrations and the ecology and evolution of ancient pathogens.

Program:

Wednesday May 2, 2018

Aula Buzzati-Traverso – Building of Genetics and Microbiology, Via Ferrata 9 14:00 - 16:00 Prof. DAVID CARAMELLI Department of Biology, University of Florence, Italy Title: "Ancient DNA in the XXI century"

Wednesday May 2, 2018

Aula Buzzati-Traverso – Building of Genetics and Microbiology, Via Ferrata 9 16:00 - 18:00 Prof. CLAUDIO OTTONI Laboratory of Forensic Genetics and Molecular Archaeology, Leuven, Belgium. Title: "When the cat goes away - a paleogenetic perspective into past distributions and patterns of dispersal of *Felis silvestris*"

Thursday May 3, 2018

Aula Buzzati-Traverso – Building of Genetics and Microbiology, Via Ferrata 9 14:00 - 16:00 Prof. ALBERT ZINK Institute for Mummy Studies. Eurac research, Bolzano, Italy Title: "Paleogenomics of mummies: Insights into genetic ancestry, pathogen evolution and disease predisposition" Friday May 4, 2018

Aula Falaschi – Istituto di Genetica Molecolare del CNR, Via Ferrata 9 10:00 - 12:00

Dr. LUCA PAGANI

Department of Biology, University of Padua, Italy Title: "Digging ancient haplotypes out of modern human genomes"

Friday May 4, 2018

Aula Buzzati-Traverso – Building of Genetics and Microbiology, Via Ferrata 9 14:00 - 16:00 Dr. CHRISTIANA LYN SCHEIB Estonian Biocentre, University of Tartu, Estonia Title: "Into the unknown: ancient DNA and the first Americans"

Monday May 7, 2018

Aula Buzzati-Traverso – Building of Genetics and Microbiology, Via Ferrata 9 10:00 - 12:00 Prof. DOMINGO SAVIO RODRÍGUEZ BAENA Department of Computer Science, Pablo de Olavide University, Spain Title: "Data mining 1: from raw data to useful knowledge"

Monday May 7, 2018

Aula Buzzati-Traverso – Building of Genetics and Microbiology, Via Ferrata 9 14:00 - 16:00 Prof. DOMINGO SAVIO RODRÍGUEZ BAENA Department of Computer Science, Pablo de Olavide University, Spain Title: "Data mining 2: examples of current biological data analysis researches"

Thursday May 10, 2018

Aula Buzzati-Traverso – Building of Genetics and Microbiology, Via Ferrata 9 14:00 - 16:00 Prof. CRISTINA CATTANEO Dipartimento di Scienze Biomediche per la Salute, University of Milan, Italy Title: "People from Bones: from archaeology to forensic sciences"

Friday May 11, 2018

Aula Falaschi – Istituto di Genetica Molecolare del CNR, Via Ferrata 9 10:00 - 12:00 Dr. COSIMO POSTH Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History, Jena, Germany Title: "Paleogenetic investigations of hominin diversity and dispersals in Eurasian prehistory"

Friday May 11, 2018 Aula Buzzati-Traverso – Building of Genetics and Microbiology, Via Ferrata 9 14:00 - 16:00 Dr. MARIA SPYROU Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History, Jena, Germany Title: "A molecular approach towards understanding ancient plagues"